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KEYS!

We Give Away KEYS that will Unlock the Box
that will Give You GOLD and SILVER.

We have had made for us a number of KEYS, one of which will unlock the money box which is on exhibition in our window. We have placed in this box \$20 in GOLD and SILVER, and on and after January 1, 1894, each holder of one of these keys will be permitted to try and unlock the box. The person whose key opens the box will be given the contents free.

Every purchaser of goods to the amount of 50 cents and upward will be given a key with each purchase. There is one key that will unlock the box—your's may be the one.

Remember we will sell you a Child's Suit for \$1.50, an all wool Man's Suit for \$60, a Lined Back Work Shirt for 50 cents, and we will show the Best and Cheapest OVERCOATS ever shown in the city.

Fine Imported and Domestic Suitings in our TAFFLING DEPARTMENT.

PRICES ALWAYS RIGHT.

All the Latest Novelties in Gents' Furnishings.
HATS of all grades—Agents for Stetson Hats.

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ALWAYS ASK
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They are the best in the market. Every sack
guaranteed. For sale
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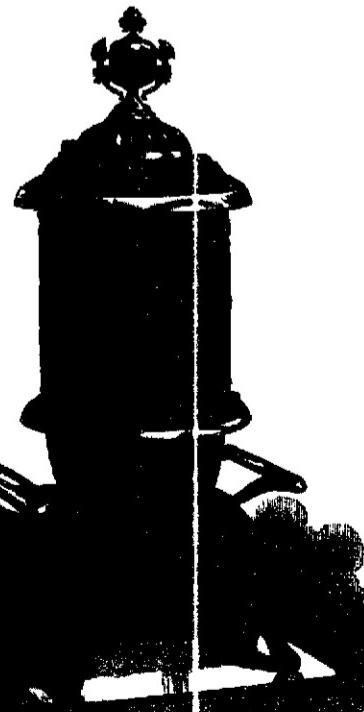
J. B. BULLARD,
FUNERAL DIRECTOR.



He is buried from Mason Temple Block to the west of the church. Many friends and relatives were present at the services, and attended to the highest honor of the service. His remains were removed to the cemetery of the same church. Red house—223 West William street. Rest in peace.

Do You Want the Best Soft Coal Heater Made?

+Then buy an AIR-TIGHT.+



only the handiest, but the most perfect Soft Coal Heater ever put on the market. You have absolute control of your fire every being ground to a perfect fitting. Making it as it is possible for a stove to be made, it has a large, convenient ash pan, also a chimney.

Stove is larger than ever before. See our \$10

full nickel and a first class heater; also our \$13

MAN BROS. & MARTIN CO.,
240-248 EAST MAIN STREET.

THE EXTRA SESSION.

The Leaders of the Silver and Repeal Parties

STILL STRUGGLING FOR VICTORY.

Mr. Voorhees Scores a Point—The Quorum, Now You See It, and Now You Don't—The McCready Bill Passes the House.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 16.—The leaders of the opposing forces—the silver campaign were present at the opening of the session this morning, while the supporters of his chief lieutenant (Mr. Faulkner) were in consultation over their plans and on the other side the leaders of the repeal party were at work to secure his attack on the repeal bill and to receive hints and suggestions from his fellow chieftains, Messrs. Teller and Stewart.

The first bill introduced was that for changes. For instance, two republican senators Mr. Culver (Ill.) and Mr. Allison (Ia.) took up the first bill presented by Mr. Voorhees and introduced an amendment to it, while the Nebraska populist Mr. Allen crossed over to the republican side of the chamber and introduced another with Senator Teller, Teller and Stewart.

These were nineties in number and Mr. Peffer had to read these rules in detail and debate them.

Mr. Hoye interrupted the speaker to ask facetiously whether the gentleman who had introduced the bill had been educated in the Senate—[laughter]—that he thought it necessary to read to the senators the subject of discussion when he was interrupted.

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SEE OUR \$5 CHEVIOT SUITS.

The pants have double seats and double knees.
Ages 4 to 16. Double-Breasted,
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Standards 25c
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CLOYD,

144 EAST MAIN ST.

TUESDAY EVE. OCT. 17, 1888.

LOCAL AND GENERAL NEWS.

Dress & Suit Tailors.

Welcome, Sir Knights.

Baby Cough Syrup at Irwin's.

Stacks of new Shoes at Powers.

Huffman's Carabat cigar will please you.

You will like to trade at Towne & Murphy's grocery store. Give it a trial.

STRAMMENHORN Porous plaster at Irwin's Drug store.

Bear steel range in the market at Bachman Bros. & Martin Co.

Smokes the favorite Little Rose and Bonquet cigars on sale everywhere in the city.

Go to Henry Bro's bakery for all kinds of bread, cakes, pies, etc. etc.

The Pythian sisters are holding their grand lodge meeting in the Grand Army Post hall.

WALL PAPER and window shades at Conklin & Housum's, in Library Block.

Baker's table supplies at Philip Kemper's grocery store 757 North Water street.

This annual meeting of the state bar association will be held at Peoria January 24 and 25.

FIFTH fall suite at Kaufhold's, 143 East Main. Sept 27-28.

The best table supplied every day in the week at Philip Kemper's popular store, 757 North Water street.

These new style Cutaway Frock-Suits bell skirts, are beauties. Ask to be shown them at Cheap Charley's.

All members of M. W. A. No. 1020 are requested to meet this evening for the purpose of organizing a choir at Dr. Myers' office.

The Grand Opera House opened, made by Keck & Weigand, are the best in town.

Our official bond of Lee S. Hall as a policeman has been accepted by the city council. The sureties are H. C. Montgomery and A. O. Bolen.

If you can afford to be annoyed, by tick headache and constipation, don't use DeWitt's Little Easers for these little pills will cure them. C. H. Dawson.

The Decatur Turners have decided to build a new gymnasium and recreation hall at the park, and they have also elevated the membership dues from 50 to 75 cents a month.

\$2.00 is a ridiculous price for a Ladies' regular hand-sewed Kid \$3.00 shoe—fall styles at Powers' Shoe Store, north of the park.

Star is at the C. B. Prescott music house on North Water street and select a Haines upright piano. It is the best. See the Packard organa. None better in the market.

Our complete line of Fall and Winter Clothing is now on our counters ready for our trade. Call and see it.

CHEAP CHARLEY.

This evening Major McIntosh will lecture at Scott, Ohio, for the benefit of the McKinley Veteran Club. He is booked for a number of addresses in Ohio.

Use Shellabarger's WHITE LOAF FLOUR.

It is the best.

PUMPS, POMPS, PUMPS! For the cheapest pumps of all kinds, go to the Decatur Implement Co., 304 North Franklin St. Sept 27-28.

Fall and winter goods are arriving. One of the dullest lines ever before placed on the market. Geo. W. Jones & Co. clothiers Aug 25-26-27.

LITTLE vegetable health producer: DeWitt's Little Early Risers cure minor indiscretions and regulate the stomach and bowels. The most delicate headache and dizziness. G. H. Dawson.

The Prince of Decatur, WHITE LOAF FLOUR, The Blue Ribbon brand.

ED. BALINGER the barber arrested in Decatur Friday night, was indicted at Urbana Monday by the grand jury for he stealing. His bond was fixed at \$1,000. He gave bail and will stand trial.

Don't commit suicide on account of your "incurable" blood disease. The sensible thing for you to do is to take Ayer's Salvarsan. If that fails, why then—keep on trying, and it will not fail. The trouble is, people get disengaged too soon. "Try, try, try again."

There is a strong effort being made to get the affairs of the Indianapolis, Decatur and Western road in such shape that the Cincinnati, Hamilton and Dayton may take control December 1st. The deal for the transfer of the road is understood to be in such shape that this can be done without much difficulty.

EDWARD's new cutter, Mr. Wald, is rendering the most popular satisfaction. The most fashionable suits worn in Decatur are Edward's trade mark—and at all times you will find their house crowded with orders. Call and place your orders before the season gets too crowded.

21-dif.

ST. LOUIS EXPOSITION. For this occasion the I. C. R. R. will sell round trip tickets from Decatur to Chicago at one price, \$4.50. The tickets will be good for 30 days, except that return will not be good after Oct. 22nd. Call on T. Peacock, depot, or C. O. Judson, agent, union depot.

SAUCE DISHES.

In china and porcelain, all sizes and descriptions. We place them in the special sale at 25c, 50c, 60c and 75c a set.

Sept 27-28.

E. D. BARTHOLOMEW.

THE CITY COURIER.

The Hughes Pump Accepted on a Year's Guarantee.

At the meeting of the city council held last night the wine room and saloon across ordinance came up for adoption, but on motion it was referred back to the ordinance committee for one week in order that it may be read by the members of the committee who have not had a look at it.

On the report of the water committee, the Hughes pump now in successful operation was accepted with the provision that the company will keep it in good repair for a year. The same committee reported the filter plant in good shape, and it was accepted, with the demand that if anything goes wrong the company will see that necessary repairs are made.

Thomas Wexenberger on application was granted a license to sell liquor for three months at the trotting park.

The application of B. S. Tyler & Co. to put in scales at their place of business on Broadway was referred.

The city engineer reported the city's share of the cost of the North Water paving to be \$740.98. The 12-inch lateral sewer in the alley between Condit and Orchard streets was reported as complete and ready for inspection. The city's share of the cost is \$26.85. The paving report was adopted and the internal report referred.

MURKIN.

By Johnson: That the street superintendent clean out the inlet to the Webster street sewer between the I. D. & W. railroad and the main line of the Webster railroad. Adopted.

Mr. Johnson: The street superintendent he is hereby instructed to lay a crossing on the east side of North Center street at the intersection of Center street. Adopted.

Major Moffit cautioned the council against spending too much money, and not to exceed the appropriation in any department. He did not want to face a deficit of \$16,000 to \$17,000 at the beginning of the next fiscal year.

A NARROW ESCAPE.

Yesterday afternoon at the Union depot, Miss Lizzie Wagner, of Warrensburg, had a thrilling experience and narrowly escaped death or injury. She was accompanied by Miss Augusta Shafer, of Decatur. When they got off the street car to go to the depot platform, they found a Central freight train on the track blocking further progress. Miss Shafer crawled under one of the cars and reached the platform in safety. Miss Wagner followed, but just as she had stopped to make the rash the train started. She fell prostrate under the car, wholly incapable of moving, so thought out was the fright. W. A. Nichols, the Central yard master, happened to see the young lady in danger, and by his heroic effort he pulled her away from the churning wheels. He was not an instant too soon. It was one of the closest shave Miss Wagner got on her train in safety, but in future she will never attempt to crawl under a train.

UNION SERVICES to be Held.

At the meeting of the Decatur parsons, held Monday to consider the proposition to hold union religious meetings, it was decided to invite Dr. Chapman, of Philadelphia, to come here and hold union evangelistic services beginning March 1, or sooner if possible. Rev. D. F. Howe and Rev. W. C. Miller were appointed on a committee to plan for union services during the week of prayer. A committee composed of Rev. W. H. Penhallegon and Rev. H. H. Neal was appointed to confer with Francis Murphy for holding a series of temperance meetings. Rev. Penhallegon promised over the meeting and Rev. C. E. Terrey acted as secretary. The other ministers present were Rev. W. C. Miller, Rev. D. F. Howe, Rev. C. F. Rodgers, Rev. J. W. Crane and Rev. Rapp.

MATRIMONIAL.

The cards are out announcing the marriage of Riley E. Smith, of Indianapolis, and Miss Etta Sherman, to occur at the residence of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. T. Sherman 757 North College street, at 6 p. m., Wednesday, Oct. 25.

Dr. E. L. Stevens, of Danville, Ill., arrived in the city yesterday for a brief visit to his parents Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Stevens. To-day he left for Grove City where to-morrow at high noon he will be married to Miss Hattie McKenzie, who is well known in Danville.

CARD OF THANKS.

We wish to thank our friends and neighbors especially in Hoy, Eddie Deaconey, Frank Dunstan and Charlie Ewing, the playmates of our little child who acted as pallbearers for their assistance and sympathy during our bereavement.

WM. HARTMAN AND FAMILY.

Grand Hall.

The old Volunteer Firemen will give a grand ball at Guards' Armory on next Thursday evening, October 19th. The Opera House Orchestra will furnish the music. The grand march will be led by Goodman's full band. Let everybody go and have a good time.

Settled.

The troubles of F. W. Wilkey were in a measure settled in Justice Proctor's court when he became the husband of Miss Berlin Jordan yesterday afternoon. The costs in the case aggregated \$35.70 Paid.

A CHANGE.

Barney Gilligan of No. 1 West Main crew of the fire department has resigned. E. McGurk will fill the vacancy, and Will Kirkwood will take McGurk's place.

DIED.

At the family home, near Blue Mound, on Sunday, November 10, Mrs. G. E. Winslow, aged 27 years.

She leaves a husband and one son.

At the home of her mother, Mrs. Leonard, on North Water street, on Oct. 10, Gertrude Lennox, aged 6 months and 6 days.

EXCURSION NOTICE.

Commencing on Sunday, October 15th and until October 21st, inclusive, the Webster R. R. will sell round trip tickets from Decatur to Chicago at one price, \$4.45. Tickets will be good return till November 15th.

Meat Dishes.

To close out the pattern we make these extreme low prices: Ten inch, 11 inch, 12 inch, 13 inch, 14 inch, 15 inch, 16 inch, 17 inch, 18 inch, 19 inch, 20 inch, 21 inch, 22 inch, 23 inch, 24 inch, 25 inch, 26 inch, 27 inch, 28 inch, 29 inch, 30 inch, 31 inch, 32 inch, 33 inch, 34 inch, 35 inch, 36 inch, 37 inch, 38 inch, 39 inch, 40 inch, 41 inch, 42 inch, 43 inch, 44 inch, 45 inch, 46 inch, 47 inch, 48 inch, 49 inch, 50 inch, 51 inch, 52 inch, 53 inch, 54 inch, 55 inch, 56 inch, 57 inch, 58 inch, 59 inch, 60 inch, 61 inch, 62 inch, 63 inch, 64 inch, 65 inch, 66 inch, 67 inch, 68 inch, 69 inch, 70 inch, 71 inch, 72 inch, 73 inch, 74 inch, 75 inch, 76 inch, 77 inch, 78 inch, 79 inch, 80 inch, 81 inch, 82 inch, 83 inch, 84 inch, 85 inch, 86 inch, 87 inch, 88 inch, 89 inch, 90 inch, 91 inch, 92 inch, 93 inch, 94 inch, 95 inch, 96 inch, 97 inch, 98 inch, 99 inch, 100 inch, 101 inch, 102 inch, 103 inch, 104 inch, 105 inch, 106 inch, 107 inch, 108 inch, 109 inch, 110 inch, 111 inch, 112 inch, 113 inch, 114 inch, 115 inch, 116 inch, 117 inch, 118 inch, 119 inch, 120 inch, 121 inch, 122 inch, 123 inch, 124 inch, 125 inch, 126 inch, 127 inch, 128 inch, 129 inch, 130 inch, 131 inch, 132 inch, 133 inch, 134 inch, 135 inch, 136 inch, 137 inch, 138 inch, 139 inch, 140 inch, 141 inch, 142 inch, 143 inch, 144 inch, 145 inch, 146 inch, 147 inch, 148 inch, 149 inch, 150 inch, 151 inch, 152 inch, 153 inch, 154 inch, 155 inch, 156 inch, 157 inch, 158 inch, 159 inch, 160 inch, 161 inch, 162 inch, 163 inch, 164 inch, 165 inch, 166 inch, 167 inch, 168 inch, 169 inch, 170 inch, 171 inch, 172 inch, 173 inch, 174 inch, 175 inch, 176 inch, 177 inch, 178 inch, 179 inch, 180 inch, 181 inch, 182 inch, 183 inch, 184 inch, 185 inch, 186 inch, 187 inch, 188 inch, 189 inch, 190 inch, 191 inch, 192 inch, 193 inch, 194 inch, 195 inch, 196 inch, 197 inch, 198 inch, 199 inch, 200 inch, 201 inch, 202 inch, 203 inch, 204 inch, 205 inch, 206 inch, 207 inch, 208 inch, 209 inch, 210 inch, 211 inch, 212 inch, 213 inch, 214 inch, 215 inch, 216 inch, 217 inch, 218 inch, 219 inch, 220 inch, 221 inch, 222 inch, 223 inch, 224 inch, 225 inch, 226 inch, 227 inch, 228 inch, 229 inch, 230 inch, 231 inch, 232 inch, 233 inch, 234 inch, 235 inch, 236 inch, 237 inch, 238 inch, 239 inch, 240 inch, 241 inch, 242 inch, 243 inch, 244 inch, 245 inch, 246 inch, 247 inch, 248 inch, 249 inch, 250 inch, 251 inch, 252 inch, 253 inch, 254 inch, 255 inch, 256 inch, 257 inch, 258 inch, 259 inch, 260 inch, 261 inch, 262 inch, 263 inch, 264 inch, 265 inch, 266 inch, 267 inch, 268 inch, 269 inch, 270 inch, 271 inch, 272 inch, 273 inch, 274 inch, 275 inch, 276 inch, 277 inch, 278 inch, 279 inch, 280 inch, 281 inch, 282 inch, 283 inch, 284 inch, 285 inch, 286 inch, 287 inch, 288 inch, 289 inch, 290 inch, 291 inch, 292 inch, 293 inch, 294 inch, 295 inch, 296 inch, 297 inch, 298 inch, 299 inch, 300 inch, 301 inch, 302 inch, 303 inch, 304 inch, 305 inch, 306 inch, 307 inch, 308 inch, 309 inch, 310 inch, 311 inch, 312 inch, 313 inch, 314 inch, 315 inch, 316 inch, 317 inch, 3

WEDDING * GIFTS!



We are showing superior attractions to those in search of WEDDING GIFTS.

We have had come in a part of our goods intended for December. These embrace a large line of SOLID SILVER FANCY PIECES, and a very large selection of CUT GLASS.

OTTO E. CURTIS & BRO.,

Jewelers and Dealers in Fine China

NEW FALL GOODS

We have been getting them right along every day until our store is full. They are piled up to the ceiling and they are the very latest styles in foot-wear.

We have a great line of Ladies' Shoes, in Lace, Button and Congress—all sizes, all widths all styles.

In gentlemen's shoes we have all new fresh goods, in all the widths, sizes and styles.

We have everything you want and we have just what you want. We have always been the leaders in low prices and always will be. Fail not to note this fact.

Our clearance sales in the past have been in the means of unloading stock which (while thoroughly desirable and first-class for wear) were not up to date as to prevailing styles. The stock which we have now on hand, having thus been perfectly cleaned out and only the newest and most desirable styles on sale, we think we can please and satisfy any one.

+ FRANK H. COLE, +
B. F. BOBO. Manager,

MAIN STREET.

PENNSYLVANIA'S REMOVAL SALE

MEN'S, BOYS' AND CHILDREN'S

CLOTHING, +

Hats, Caps and Gents' Furnishing Goods,
FOR THE NEXT THIRTY DAYS.

Having leased the old Post Office Building, to be occupied as soon as remodeled, I will make a

Grand Clearance Sale of My Entire Stock.

CHAS. J. BRYAN, +

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100 NORTH WATER ST.

DAILY REPUBLICAN. TO THE LADIES.

Have you seen our Cook Book? Did you get one? It has over Forty First-Class Cake Recipes; nearly as many for Puddings, and fully 200 other Recipes. You can have it for the asking.

KING & WOOD, DRUGGISTS.

TUESDAY EVE. OCT 17, 1894

WELCOME TO KNIGHTS.

W. I. O.
Welcomes three welcome, the Pythian Knights, friends of the city's welfare, rights, Labors, strings and peace-keepers are outside each door.
Bidding you welcome to health and to home. Friends of humanity, frat in the van, freedom from want, freedom and brotherhood to man.

Yes, freedom is yours, from castle to dome. Welcome, three welcome, to health and to home.

TERMS OF INTEREST

Bone Dishes.
We are making a special sale on Bone Dishes in porcelain and china, all hand-decorated, at prices you never heard of before.

E. D. BARTON&SON.

Dress & Box tailors.

Fly paper at Dawson's drug store.

Fancy Ointments at Singleton's, 22-24 Fountain Park at Dawson's book store.

Harmless headache powders at Irvin's.

Huntman's Carpet cigar for a good smoke.

Ice all fall.

Irvin's Toilet Cream for chapped hands.

Smoke the old reliable K. & W. cigars, man's 25¢.

Anti-tobacco 50¢ per box at Dawson's. Bremen's the Firemen's hall on Thursday evening.

The greatest dance of the season at the Armory on Thursday night.

The trials will probably hold on Thursday night until after the firemen's ball.

You are invited to call and inspect our fall line of clothing. CECIL CHARLEY.

New \$15 coat store in the market at Bremen Bros. & Martin Co.

Fall goods are in and are beautiful.

GEO. W. JONES & CO. clothiers.

28-29-30-31

DECORATED Porcelain Dressers for 20s, worth 50s, at Bartolomew's off.

Dawson's drug store is open all night.

GRAND TIME at the Guards' Armory Thursday evening.

SMOKES the Silver Cross cigar. For sale by J. N. Irwin & Co.

Don't miss the Volunteer Firemen's dance Thursday evening.

WALL PAPER and window shades at Conklin & House's, in Library Block.

PHARMACEUTICALS a specialty at Dawson's pharmacy, night or day.

SIM the line of stores at Bremen Bros. & Martin Co., before purchasing.

Boat Doctor
by using
White Leaf Flour.

HELP the old Volunteer Firemen by attending their dance on Thursday evening.

Our prices for fine tailor made clothes are very reasonable.

Ehrman & Co. 21-22

One of the finest new fall line of clothing in the city at GSO. W. Jones & Co.'s.

Goodman's Band will lead the grand march at the Firemen's dance on Thursday night.

We guarantee Monarch mixed paints equal to any paint in the city. At Dawson's, success to Swanson.

Trix Taylor's home team will be here on Thursday and attend the firemen's dance at night.

Elusive fitting suits at low prices at T. H. Kauffman, the merchant tailor, 145 East Main street.

WHITE LOAF FLOUR

LOAF The Best.

Has your business out for fall made by Ehrman & Co., the popular merchant tailors.

21-22

JOHN YOUNG, at the Remington office is the Deacon agent for the Remington typewriter Co. for catalogues and price lists.

CALL and see our line of new ideas; now styles in fall clothing. GSO. W. Jones & Co. clothiers.

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If you wish a perfect and elegant fitting suit we have our new cutout, Mr. Wald, save your wants. Ehrman & Co.

21-22

No one but those who have bought, can appreciate the value of these \$1.50 School Shoes that Powers is selling at 75 cents.

12-22

FRESHysters and fish received daily dressed poultry at the Pearl Oyster and Fish Co. house, 248 North Main street, or telephone 824.

A SPECIAL line of seven coaches carrying all the officials of the entire Pennsylvania system passed through Decatur on a tour of inspection.

Evanston should attend the grand ball to be given by the Volunteer Firemen at the Armory Thursday evening. The best of order will prevail.

16-17

JOHN KOMMER, who for thirty years has published the McLean County Democratic Press, died at his home in Bloomington yesterday, aged 78 years.

If you wish to secure a certain and speedy result, when using Ayer's Sennaparle, be careful in observing the rules of health, or the benefit may be retarded.

A fair and persistent trial of this medicine never fails, when the directions are followed.

RAY and MRS. ORNAH, of Grace M. E., church will give an informal reception to the members and friends of that church this evening, commencing at 7:30 o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Strader will assist the pastor and wife in receiving their friends. All members of the congregation will be cordially welcome.

Death of an Infant.

Gestrude Leeson, granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Spence, died yesterday morning at 11 o'clock at the family home.

North Water street, aged three years.

The remains will be taken to the church for burial.

Pythians on Parade.

Imposing Procession of Home and Visiting Knights of Pythias.

Opening of the Grand Lodge at the Opera House—The Addresses—Growth of the Order.

The annual Illinois grand lodge meeting of the legislative, social and benevolent order known the world over as the Knights of Pythias began at the Grand Opera house to-day shortly after ten o'clock, immediately after a parade of the local lodges and representatives from the St. Nicholas and Arcade Hotels to the hall. The order is one of the strongest as to membership and influence for good in the state. The membership for the term ending June 30, 1894, was 11,966, with 175 active lodges, being an average of 68.32 for each lodge. On June 30, 1890, there were 220 active lodges with a membership of 15,250, the average membership being 69.81, with a gain of 8,394. The next year there were 237 lodges with a membership of 20,105, the average membership being 69.57, and a gain of 4,855. At the term ending June 30, 1892, there were 252 active lodges with a membership of 26,15, an average of each lodge of 80.13, and a gain for the year of 6,510. The year on June 30, 1893, there were 407 active lodges having a membership of 33,737, averaging 83.93 to each lodge and showing a gain for the year of 7,102 members, a gain in membership of over 26 per cent. During the past year 50 new lodges had been added to the list, and the maximum membership reaches Illinois to a third representative to the Supreme Lodge.

The Parade.

The parade of the Grand Lodge officers and representatives which was witnessed at 10 o'clock in the morning was in the nature of an introduction of the strength of the order to the people of Decatur. The local committees arranged for the escort.

Members of Decatur Division, No. 36, Union Bank, in command of Captain Stoddard, with members of Court de Leon Lodge No. 17 and members of Chevalier Bayard Lodge No. 189, formed the escort, headed by Goodman's Band. The escort drew up in front of the St. Nicholas, and soon the column moved north across Lincoln Square to North street, east to Water and south on Water street past the Remington office to the opera house. The column came to a front, open and the Grand Lodge officials in open carriage passed through to the entrance where they alighted and entered the hall, the representatives following in close order, while the band in the street played a selection. There were about 450 men in line, all good-looking and having every appearance of being prosperous in life.

The visitors come from all parts of the state and represent nearly 500 lodges.

Besides the regularly chosen representatives, all past chancellors of the lodges, are entitled to seats in the legislative body. It is estimated that the number of visitors now in the city is fully 600. All of the hotels are full. Breakfast was served in the St. Nicholas to-day late at 10 o'clock. The hotel lobbies are crowded out to the walks, but as the weather is perfect, no one objects to going about on the shady or sunny sides of buildings. Considerable interest is going on for various positions. There are about twenty-five candidates for the position of Outer Guard which leads to the position of Grand Chancellor and the Supreme Lodge. And then there are candidates for Keeper of Records and Seal which pays \$200 a year.

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